

# COLONEL ISSUES APPEAL TO FORGET DIFFERENCES

Urges Progressives and Republicans  
to Join "for Safety and Honor  
of Country."

WILLING TO GO TO CHICAGO

Replies to Invitation Extended by  
Former Senator Jackson, of Mary-  
land, to Address G. O. P. Con-  
vention—Assaults President Wilson.

COYSTER BAY, N. Y., June 8.—Colonel Roosevelt today issued an appeal to the Progressive and Republican conventions to forget their differences and join for the safety and honor of our country to enforce the policy of genuine Americanism and genuine preparedness.

He was ready, he said, to go to Chicago and address the Republican convention if the convention desired it. He assailed President Wilson as having rendered "the most evil service that can be rendered to a great democracy," and declared it was for the convention to show the people that they have a "better alternative to which to turn."

He charged that "professional German-Americans" were seeking to terrorize the Republican convention, and that they wished to elect as President a "vicerey of a foreign government."

The appeal was contained in a message to former Senator William B. Jackson, of Maryland, Republican national committeeman, in reply to the latter's invitation to the Colonel to come to Chicago.

ROOSEVELT'S LETTER

TO SENATOR JACKSON

The letter follows:

"Hon. William B. Jackson,  
"Republican Headquarters,  
"Chicago, Ill.

"In answer to your telegraph I can only say that the matter lies with the Republican convention, and that if the convention desires me to address it I shall be glad to do so.

"I very earnestly hope that the Republicans and Progressives assembled at Chicago will keep steadily in mind the gravity of this crisis, not only for America, but for the world, and the need that their action be dignified, fearless and patriotic shall rise above the crisis. I hope that the aim will

be not merely to nominate a man who can be elected next November, but a man of such power, character, steadfast conviction and proved ability that if elected he will again place this nation where it belongs by making it true to itself and therefore true to all mankind. President Wilson, however admirable his intentions, has rendered to this people the most evil service that can be rendered to a great democracy by his chosen leader. He has dulled the national conscience, and relaxed the spring of lofty national motive by teaching our people to accept high sounding words as the offset and atonement for shabby deeds, and to use words which mean nothing in order to draw all meaning from those which have a meaning. It will be no easy task to arouse the austere self-respect which has been lulled to slumber by these means. To this task we should bend our united energies in the spirit of Washington and Lincoln, the spirit of genuine democratic leadership, the spirit which sets the standard to which the nation ought to rise, and then with confident hope appeals to the soul of the people so that they may, in fact, support the standard thus raised.

PRESENT ISSUE VITAL

TO NATIONAL LIFE

"The differences that have divided, not merely Republicans and Progressives, but good Americans of all shades of political belief from one another in the past sink into nothing when compared with the issues now demanding decision, for these issues are vital to the national life. They are the issues of a unified Americanism, and of national preparedness. If we are not all of us Americans and nothing else, according to divide along lines of section, of creed or of national origin, then the nation itself will crumble into dust.

"If we are not thoroughly prepared, which respects the rights of others, but which is also ready to enforce from others respect for its own rights, then sooner or later we shall have to submit to the will of an alien conqueror.

"These questions are not in the realm of abstract thought. They must be taken out of the world of cloudy promises and vague phrasing into the world of performance and of fact. They are to-day in concrete form before you and your fellows for decision. For two years, in the face of the awful world cataclysm, this nation has stood supine and helpless, and has not in the smallest degree prepared itself to ward off the danger. No promise, no excuse now made by those responsible for this inaction is entitled to serious consideration. It is for you and your associates to show the people that they have a worthy alternative to which to turn.

"The professional German-Americans, acting through various agencies, including so-called German-American alliances, are at this moment serving notice on the members of your

convention that your action must be taken with a view to the interests, not of the United States, but of Germany, and of that section of the German-American vote which is anti-American to the core. I believe with all my heart that the action of these sinister professional German-Americans will be repudiated with angry contempt by the great mass of our fellow citizens who are in whole or in part of German blood, and who, as I well know, are unsurpassed in rugged and whole souled Americanism by any other citizen of our land. But the professional German-Americans are seeking to terrorize your convention; for they wish to elect next November a man who shall not be in good faith an American president, but the vicerey of a foreign government. It is for your convention in emphatic fashion to repudiate them. This can be done in effective manner only if such action is taken as to enable Republicans, Progressives and Democrats, who are true to the principles of Andrew Jackson and Independents—in short all loyal Americans—to join in the effort to reach the goal we all have in view.

SUGGESTS A MAN FOR SAFETY AND HONOR OF COUNTRY

"Can we not, forgetting past differences, now join, for the safety and honor of our country, to enforce the policies of genuine Americanism and genuine preparedness?"

"Surely we can afford to act in accordance with the words of Abraham Lincoln, when he said: 'May not all having a common interest reunite in a common effort to save our common country? May we ask those who have not differed with us to join in this same spirit towards those who have?'

"As far as my own soul is known to me, it is in this same spirit that at this time I make my appeal to Republicans and Progressives assembled at Chicago.

"(Signed),  
"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

PROGRESSIVES ANXIOUS  
TO NOMINATE COLONEL

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Senator Robins refused to recognize him, and said, "There will be no snap judgment while I am in the chair."

E. L. Parsons of Oklahoma, opened the discussion of the Garfield motion by opposing any amalgamation with the Republicans, and declared the Progressive party must maintain its integrity through its nominee.

Mr. Allen was the next to be recognized, and said:

"I feel like a boy standing in a powder magazine with a lot of matches in my pocket, offering an amendment to Mr. Garfield's motion, that if the peace conference is ordered, the committee be instructed to report back not later than 8 o'clock to-night."

This amendment was opposed by William E. Felt, of Pittsburgh, who said the entire Pennsylvania delegation was for the Garfield motion, and the peace conference should not be "bridled" with an order to be back at a stated time.

A statement by former Representative MacDonald, of Michigan, that the only message to send the Republicans was to "tell them to go to—h—l, and tell them to do as they d—n please," provoked a storm of hisses and a few cheers.

MACDONALD REBUKED  
FOR USING PROFANITY

Rebuking Mr. MacDonald for using profanity, Chairman Robins said the next speaker who trespassed with unparliamentary language would be met with a motion to expunge his remark from the record.

"I am for harmony, but I want a little harmony on both sides," said Mr. Murdoch. "We made our offer of harmony to the Republicans six months ago, and what have we got for it?"

"Nothing, nothing," cried a number. "You folks want Roosevelt, and the

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An amendment by Henry Allen, of Kansas, to compel the conference to report back to the Progressive convention by 8 P. M. failed of adoption.

Delegates insisted that the suffrage plank be read again, and another vociferous demonstration occurred when the request was complied with.

George W. Perkins stepped to the front of the stage and was given an ovation as he started a statement regarding the convention's procedure.

"The idea of the January statement proposed that we come here to make an honest, genuine effort to come to some agreement with the Republicans in this time of stress to our country," he said. "You have seen it is suggested to the Republicans that a conference take place. I take it the important things discussed in such a conference would be the platform and candidate."

SUGGESTS NO ACTION

BE TAKEN ON PLATFORM

Mr. Perkins suggested that the platform be laid aside without any action until it was learned whether the Republicans would agree to the peace conference proposal. He strongly advised the convention that it postpone action, both on the platform and nominations until after the results, both of the overtures and balloting upon Colonel Roosevelt at the Coliseum were ascertained.

"We should proceed expeditiously," he said, "but an hour or two in this

crisis is nothing to the service we can do our country."

The delegates gave Mr. Perkins generous applause. He offered a motion to adjourn until to-morrow morning, leaving the platform unfinished business.

Delegate F. M. Wright, of Texas, moved as a substitute that the convention adjourn until 8 o'clock to-night.

Mr. Perkins withdrew his motion to adjourn, and the convention proceeded to consider a motion to empower Chairman Robins to appoint a peace committee, if the Republican convention should agree to treat with the Progressives.

Governor Johnson, of California, was given an ovation when he arose. He moved to adjourn to 8 P. M.

A roar of ayes passed the motion to adjourn, just as word came from the Republican convention that the peace proposal was brought up for consideration there.

Chairman Robins and other leaders urged the delegates who were pushing out of exits to remain.

Governor Johnson then announced that Senator Smoot had moved adoption of a resolution to have the Republican convention appoint a peace committee. The convention then reconsidered its adjournment.

RECONSIDER OFFICIALLY

Chairman Robins then announced the adoption of the Smoot resolution by the Republican convention. He suggested that the convention should reconvene officially. A motion to that effect was hastily passed.

Frank A. Fink, of Illinois, offered a motion to authorize Chairman Robins to appoint a Progressive peace conference committee of equal size as that of the Republicans. The motion was agreed to unanimously.

Chairman Robins explained that the conference committee would have no authority except to confer with the Republican committee, and then report to the convention.

The amended motion to adjourn to 8 o'clock was then rushed through at 5:45.

Chairman Robins's gavel dropped at

Robins, created a tumult of applause. Chairman Robins announced that the two peace committees were in conference, and asked the pleasure of the convention.

In reply to a delegate's question, James B. Garfield said he was advised the Republican convention had adopted its platform before the peace resolution was adopted, and that the Resolution would, if deemed advisable, reconsider its action. A motion was made by Mr. Garfield to adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The delegates, unwilling to adjourn so quickly, called for speeches from prominent leaders.

Chairman Robins said that Friday's session would be "very interesting," and suggested that the convention adjourn to its duty better by adjourning.

He put the motion, "A motion of ayes" was followed by even more tumultuous "Noes." Chairman Robins at 8:35 declared the motion carried, and the delegates voted to adjourn to the Star-Shaped Banner and "Disinfectant."

The platform presented to-night to the Progressive convention by the resolutions committee is in part as follows:

"This is the year of decision for the nation's future. As we now decide, so we shall go forward in righteousness and power, or backward in degradation and weakness."

"Of necessity we deal now with the foundations of our national life. We are facing elemental facts of force, of right and wrong, of extreme national peril. Our present choice of path will be irrevocable. The tradition of isolation has been ended. The United States is now part of a world system of civilization. We stand or fall as we prepare now to take our part in peace or war and hold our own therein."

"As members of an international community, we are subject to certain basic duties:

"To secure the rights and equal treatment of our citizens, native or naturalized, on land and sea, without regard to race, creed or nativity;

"To guard the honor and uphold the just influence of our nation;

"To maintain the integrity of international law."

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